

SB15-098

# BILL TOPIC: CODIFY STOCK PHRASES USED IN APPROPRIATION CLAUSES

### Summary of Legislation

This bill, **recommended by the Joint Budget Committee**, identifies certain stock phrases that were formerly included in appropriation clauses and generally applies the phrases to all future appropriation clauses.

## Background

In September 2014, the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) voted to authorize staff to adopt a new format for legislative appropriation clauses beginning with the 2015 legislative session. The new format improves readability without changing the meaning of the clauses. The JBC also voted to sponsor legislation to codify provisions from the existing clauses.

### Assessment

The bill does not change the expenditures or revenue of any state agency or local government and is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Joint Budget Committee